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(iv) The extent of the beneficiary developing country's competitiveness with respect to eligible articles;

(v) The level of economic development of such country, including its per capita GNP, the living standard of its inhabitants and any other economic factors the President deems appropriate;

(vi) Whether or not the other major developed countries are extending generalized preferential tariff treatment to such country;

(vii) The extent to which such country has assured the United States it will provide equitable and reasonable access to the markets and basic commodity resources of such country and the extent to which such country has assured the United States that it will refrain from engaging in unreasonable export practices;

(viii) The extent to which such country is providing adequate and effective means under its laws for foreign nationals to secure, to exercise and to enforce exclusive rights in intellectual property, including patents, trademarks and copyrights;

(ix) The extent to which such country has taken action to—

(A) Reduce trade distorting investment practices and policies (including export performance requirements); and

(B) Reduce or eliminate barriers to trade in services; and

(x) Whether or not such country has taken or is taking steps to afford workers in that country (including any designated zone in that country) internationally recognized worker rights.

PART 2008—REGULATIONS TO IMPLEMENT E.O. 12065; OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

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Subpart A—General Provisions

§ 2008.1 References.

(a) Executive Order 12065, "National Security Information," dated June 28, 1978.

(b) Information Security Oversight Office, Directive No. 1, "National Security Information," dated October 2, 1978.

§ 2008.2 Purpose.

The purpose of this regulation is to ensure, consistent with the authorities listed in section 1–1 of Executive Order 12065, that national security information originated or held by the Office of the Special Representative for Trade Negotiations is protected but only to the extent, and for the period, necessary to safeguard the national security.

§ 2008.3 Applicability.

This regulation governs the Office of the Special Representative for Trade Negotiations. In consonance with the authorities listed in section 1–1, it establishes the general policy and certain procedures for the security classification, downgrading, declassification,

and safeguarding of information that is owned by, is produced for or by, or is under the control of the Office of the Special Representative for Trade Negotiations.

Subpart B—Classification

§ 2008.4 Basic policy.

It is the policy of the Office of the Special Representative for Trade Negotiations to make available to the public as much information concerning its activities as is possible, consistent with its responsibility to protect the national security.

§ 2008.5 Level of original classification.

Unnecessary classification, and classification at a level higher than is necessary, shall be avoided. If there is reasonable doubt as to which designation in section 1-1 of Executive Order 12065 is appropriate, or whether information should be classified at all, the less restrictive designation should be used, or the information should not be classified.

§ 2008.6 Duration of original classification.

(a) Except as permitted below, in paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section, information or material which is classified after December 1, 1978, shall be marked at the declassification no more than six years following its original classification.

(b) Original classification may be extended beyond six years only by officials with Top Secret classification authority and agency heads listed in section 1-2 of the order. This extension authority shall be used only when these officials determine that the basis for original classification will continue throughout the entire period that the classification will be in effect and only for the following reasons:

- (1) The information is "foreign government information" as defined by the authorities in section 1.1;
- (2) The information reveals intelligence sources and methods;
- (3) The information pertains to communications security;
- (4) The information reveals vulnerability or capability data, the unauthorized disclosure of which can rea-

sonably be expected to render ineffective a system, installation, or project important to the national security;

(5) The information concerns plans important to the national security, the unauthorized disclosure of which reasonably can be expected to nullify the effectiveness of the plan;

(6) The information concerns specific foreign relations matters, the continued protection of which is essential to the national security;

(7) The continued protection of the information is specifically required by statute.

(c) Even when the extension of authority is exercised, the period of original classification shall not be greater than twenty years from the date of original classification, except that the original classification of "foreign government information" pursuant to paragraph (b)(1) of this section may be for a period of thirty years.

§ 2008.7 Challenges to classification.

If holders of classified information believe that the information is improperly or unnecessarily classified, or that original classification has been extended for too long a period, they should discuss the matter with their immediate superiors or the classifier of the information. If these discussions do not satisfy the concerns of the challenger, the matter should be brought to the attention of the chairperson of the Information Security Oversight Committee. Action on such challenges shall be taken 30 days from date of receipt and the challenger shall be notified of the results. When requested, anonymity of the challenger shall be preserved.

Subpart C—Derivative Classification

§ 2008.8 Definition and application.

Derivative classification is the act of assigning a level of classification to information that is determined to be the same in substance as information that is currently classified. Thus, derivative classification may be accomplished by any person cleared for access to that level of information, regardless of whether the person has original classification authority at that level.

§ 2008.9 Classification guides.

Classification guides shall be issued by the Management Office pursuant to section 2–2 of the order. These guides, which shall be used to direct derivative classification, shall identify the information to be protected in specific and uniform terms so that the information involved can be identified readily.

Subpart D—Declassification and Downgrading

§ 2008.10 Declassification authority.

The Special Representative for Trade Negotiations is authorized to declassify documents in accordance with section 3–3 of Executive Order 12065 and shall designate additional officials at the lowest practicable level to exercise declassification and downgrading authority.

§ 2008.11 Mandatory review for declassification.

(a) *Requests for mandatory review.* (1) Requests for mandatory review for declassification under section 3–501 of Executive Order 12065 must be in writing and should be addressed to:

Attn.: General Counsel (Mandatory Review Request), Office of the Special Representative for Trade Negotiations, 1800 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20506.

(2) The requestor shall be informed of the date of receipt of the request. This date will be the basis for the time limits specified in paragraph (b) of this section.

(3) If the request does not reasonably describe the information sought, the requestor shall be notified that, unless additional information is provided or the request is made more specific, no further action will be taken.

(b) *Review.* (1) The requestor shall be informed of the Special Trade Representative's determination within sixty days of receipt of the initial request.

(2) If the determination is to withhold some or all of the material requested, the requestor may appeal the determination. The requestor shall be informed that such an appeal must be made in writing within sixty days of receipt of the denial and should be addressed to the chairperson of the Office

of the Special Representative for Trade Negotiations Classification Review Committee.

(3) The requestor shall be informed of the appellate determination within thirty days of receipt of the appeal.

(c) *Fees.* (1) Fees for the location and reproduction of information that is the subject of a mandatory review request shall be assessed according to the following schedule:

(i) *Search for records:* \$5.00 per hour when the search is conducted by a clerical employee; \$8.00 per hour when the search is conducted by a professional employee. No fee shall be assessed for searches of less than one hour.

(ii) *Reproduction of documents:* Documents will be reproduced at a rate of \$.25 per page for all copying of four pages or more. No fee shall be assessed for reproducing documents that are three pages or less, or for the first three pages of longer documents.

(2) When fees chargeable under this section will amount to more than \$25, and the requestor has not indicated in advance a willingness to pay fees higher than that amount, the requestor shall be promptly notified of the amount of the anticipated fee or such portion thereof as can readily be estimated. In instances where the estimated fees will greatly exceed \$25, an advance deposit may be required. Dispatch of such a notice or request shall suspend the running of the period for response by the Office of the Special Representative for Trade Negotiations until a reply is received from the requestor.

(3) Remittances shall be in the form either of a personal check or bank draft drawn on a bank in the United States, or a postal money order. Remittances shall be made payable to U.S. Treasurer and mailed to the Office of the Special Representative for Trade Negotiations, 1800 G St., NW., Washington, DC.

(4) A receipt for fees paid will be given only upon request. No refund of fees paid for services actually rendered will be made.

(5) The Office of the Special Representative for Trade Negotiations may waive all or part of any fee provided for in this section when it is deemed to be

in the interest of either the Agency or the general public.

§ 2008.12 Foreign government information.

The Office of the Special Representative for Trade Negotiations shall, in consultation with the Archivist and in accordance with the provisions of section 3-404 of Executive Order 12065, develop systematic review guidelines for review of foreign government information for declassification thirty years from the date of original classification.

§ 2008.13 Systematic review guidelines.

Within 180 days after the effective date of the order, the Office of the Special Representative for Trade Negotiations shall, after consultation with the Archivist of the United States and review by the Information Security Oversight Office, issue and maintain guidelines for systematic review of classified information originated by the Office of the Special Representative for Trade Negotiations twenty years from the date of original classification. These guidelines shall state specific limited categories of information which, because of their national security sensitivity, should not be declassified automatically but should be reviewed item-by-item to determine whether continued protection beyond twenty years is needed. Information not identified in these guidelines as requiring review and for which a prior automatic declassification date has not been established shall be declassified automatically twenty years from the date of original classification.

Subpart E—Safeguards

§ 2008.14 Storage.

The Office of the Special Representative for Trade Negotiations shall store all classified material in accordance with ISOO Directive of October 5, 1978 (43 FR 46281).

§ 2008.15 General restrictions on access.

Access to classified information shall be restricted as required by section 4-1 of Executive Order 12065.

§ 2008.16 Security education program.

(a) The Office of the Special Representative for Trade Negotiations will inform agency personnel having access to classified information of all requirements of Executive Order 12065 and ISOO Directive I.

(b) The Director, Office of Management, shall be charged with the implementation of this security education program and shall issue detailed procedures for the use of the agency personnel in fulfilling their day-to-day security responsibilities.

§ 2008.17 Historical researchers and former Presidential appointees.

The requirement in section 4-101 of Executive Order 12065 with respect to access to classified information may be waived for historical researchers and former Presidential appointees in accordance with section 4-301 of that order.

Subpart F—Implementation and Review

§ 2008.18 Information Security Oversight Committee.

The Office of the Special Representative for Trade Negotiations Information Security Oversight Committee shall be co-chaired by the General Counsel of the Office of the Special Representative for Trade Negotiations and the Director, Office of Management. The chairs shall also be responsible with the Committee for conducting and active oversight program to ensure effective implementation of Executive Order 12065, and ISOO implementing directives. The Committee shall:

(a) Establish a security education program to inform personnel who have access to classified information with the requirements of Executive Order 12065, and ISOO implementing directives.

(b) Establish controls to ensure that classified information is used, processed, stored, reproduced, and transmitted only under conditions that will provide adequate protection and prevent access by unauthorized persons.

(c) Act on all suggestions and complaints concerning the administration of the information security program.

(d) Establish and monitor policies and procedures within the Office of the Special Representative for Trade Negotiations to ensure the orderly and effective declassification of documents.

(e) Recommend to the Special Trade Representative appropriate administrative action to correct abuses or violations of any provision of Executive Order 12065.

(f) Consider and decide other questions concerning classification and declassification that may be brought before it.

§ 2008.19 Classification Review Committee.

The Classification Review Committee shall be chaired by the Special Trade Representative. The Committee shall decide appeals from denials of declassification requests submitted pursuant to section 3–5 of Executive Order 12065. The Committee shall consist of Special Representative, two Deputies and the General Counsel.

PART 2009—PROCEDURES FOR REPRESENTATIONS UNDER SECTION 422 OF THE TRADE AGREEMENTS ACT OF 1979

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2009.0 Submission of representation.

2009.1 Information required in representation.

§ 2009.0 Submission of representation.

(a) Any—(1) Part to the Agreement; or

(2) Foreign country that is not a Party to the Agreement but is found by the United States Trade Representative, ("Trade Representative") to extend rights and privileges to the United States that are substantially the same as those that would be so extended if that foreign country were a Party to the Agreement, may make a representation to the Trade Representative alleging that a standards-related activity engaged in within the United States violates the obligations of the United States under the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade.

(b) All representations under section 422 of the Trade Agreements Act of 1979 ("section 422") shall be addressed to the United States Trade Representa-

tive, Office of the United States Trade Representative, 600 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20506. Alternatively, such a representation may be made by diplomatic correspondence and may be accepted by the Trade Representative.

(c) "The Agreement", a "Party to the Agreement" and "standards-related activity" are defined as in section 451 of the Act (19 U.S.C. 2561).

(5 U.S.C. 301; 19 U.S.C. 2504(b), 2551–2554; E.O. 11846, 40 FR 14291; Reorganization Plan No. 3 of 1979, 44 FR 69173; E.O. 12188, 45 FR 989)

[47 FR 50207, Nov. 5, 1982]

§ 2009.1 Information required in representation.

(a) Each representation submitted under section 422 should state clearly on the first page that the representation is a request for action with respect to the obligations of the United States under the Agreement, and should contain the following information:

(1) The foreign country making the representation, the division of the foreign country's government representing that country's interest, the person(s) within the division who is (are) coordinating the foreign country's representation.

(2) A description of the standards-related activity at issues, including, whenever possible, copies of the standards-related activity's provisions.

(3) Identification of the foreign goods or services affected by the standards-related activity at issue.

(4) A statement of how the standards-related activity concerned is alleged to violate the obligations of the United States under the Agreement. This statement should indicate with particularity which such obligations are alleged to be violated.

(5) Indication as to whether the foreign country has officially petitioned, filed or complained for relief concerning the same subject matter as this representation to any international forum.

(b) Each representation submitted under section 422 of the Act must contain information sufficient to provide a reasonable indication that the standards-related activity concerned is having a significant trade effect, including (but not limited to) the volume of trade in the goods concerned.